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SUMMARY: MORNING WIRES FOCUS ON BREZHNEV/HAK MEETING WITH EMPHASIS ON STRATEGIC ARMS. ALL PAPERS LEAD WITH KISSINGER'S ARRIVAL IN MOSCOW TO DISCUSS STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATIONS AND POSSIBLE SUMMIT MEETING WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE DAILY NEWS WHICH DISCUSSES THE SOVIET EMIGRATION ISSUE. END SUMMARY.

WIRES: AP AND UPI MORNING FILE BOTH LEAD THAT HAK MET BREZHNEV TO OFFER PROPOSALS FOR LIMITING STRATEGIC ARMS RACE. AP SAYS THAT THE DETAILS OF HAK'S PROPOSAL WERE NOT DISCLOSED BUT A SENIOR OFFICIAL SAID US IS PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE BROAD AGREEMENT INSTEAD OF CONCENTRATING ON RESTRICTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF MISSILES WITH NUCLEAR WARHEADS. SCHWEID SAYS THAT THE FACT SOVIETS PROPOSED FORD/BREZHNEV MEETING WAS TAKEN AS EVIDENCE THEY WANT TO CON-

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TINUE POLICY OF DETENTE. SCHWEID ADDS KISSINGER ALSO

HOPES TO WIN SOVIET ACQUIESCENCE TO HIS STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH TO THE ME NEGOTIATIONS. UPI ADDS THAT US NEWSMEN WERE BARRED FROM ATTENDING OPENING OF BREZHNEV/HAK MEETING IN APPARENT RETALIATION FOR REPORTERS' PROTEST ON

HANDLING OF TALBOTT INCIDENT. LATER A SOVIET SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE NEWSMEN WERE REFUSED ADMISSION BECAUSE IT WAS A WORKING MEETING AND BREZHNEV DID NOT WANT DISTRACTIONS.

WASHINGTON POST: MURREY MARDER, PAGE 1 ABOVE FOLD, NO PIX. MARDER LEADS THAT HAK IS SEEKING A NEW ACCORD TO INTENSIFY NEGOTIATIONS FOR CURBING NUCLEAR WEAPONS WHICH FORD AND BREZHNEV COULD FORMALIZE NEXT MONTH. MARDER NOTES THAT US OFFICIALLY CONTINUES TO TREAT SUMMIT MEETING AS A POSSIBILITY -- A MEETING WHICH WAS INITIALLY PROPOSED BY THE SOVIET UNION. MARDER COMMENTS THAT HAK IS COMING TO MOSCOW PROJECTING AN ESPECIALLY CAUTIOUS APPROACH, NOTING THAT BOTH THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES ARE ACTING A LITTLE UNCERTAIN ABOUT WHERE DETENTE IS HEADED AT A TIME OF CONTINUING DOMESTIC UNCERTAINTIES ON THE AMERICAN SCENE. AN ADDED REASON FOR THE EXTRA-WARINESS IS THE UNCERTAINTY ABOUT WHAT WILL EMERGE FROM THE ARAB SUMMIT IN MOROCCO THIS WEEK, IN WHICH BOTH POWERS HAVE A GREAT INTEREST AND ATTACH HIGH PRIORITY. ON NUCLEAR ARMS, MARDER STATES THAT THE AMERICAN SIDE IS MUTING TALK OF INTERNAL US DIFFERENCES. ACCORDING TO THE KISSINGER PARTY, AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED ON A RANGE OF CONCRETE US OPTIONS TO BE PRESENTED, ALTHOUGH THEY ARE ADMITTEDLY SHORT OF BEING SPECIFIC PROPOSALS WHICH COULD INDICATE THAT THERE CAN STILL BE HARD BARGAINING INSIDE THE FORD ADMINISTRATION ON SPECIFICS. STROBE TALBOTT INCIDENT, BASED ON NEWS DISPATCHES, SHIRT-TAILED TO MARDER STORY ON PAGE 26.

NEW YORK TIMES: BERNARD GWERTZMAN, RIGHT-HAND LEAD PAGE 1, NO PIX. GWERTZMAN STATES KISSINGER ARRIVED IN MOSCOW HOPING TO ACCELERATE THE TALKS ON THE LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC ARMS AND PREPARE WAY FOR FORD/BREZHNEV MEETING. NEWSMEN ON PLANE WERE TOLD THAT HAK IS CARRYING "FAIRLY UNCLASSIFIED

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CONCRETE IDEAS" WHICH REPRESENT A WASHINGTON CONSENSUS. HANGING OVER HAK'S FIRST TRIP TO MOSCOW UNDER FORD IS UNCERTAINTY IN THE AREA OF ARMS CONTROL AND OTHER PROBLEMS -- KREMLIN HAS RAISED QUESTIONS ON FORD'S ABILITY AND DESIRE TO IMPROVE RELATIONS AND HAK HAS MADE NO SECRET OF HIS CONCERN THAT MOSCOW MAY HOLD OFF UNTIL THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN WASHINGTON IS CLARIFIED. DESPITE THIS, BOTH SIDES SEEM TO BE PREPARING FOR SUMMIT MEETING WHICH

AMERICAN OFFICIALS SAY WAS BREZHNEV'S IDEA. IF HAK FINDS SOVS AGREEABLE TO APPROACH ON ACCELERATING ARMS TALKS, A STATEMENT COULD BE RELEASED DURING FORD/BREZHNEV MEETING. THE CONCEPT NOW BEING TALKED ABOUT WOULD PRODUCE A MORE DETAILED STATEMENT OF PURPOSES, SUCH AS LIMITS ON NUMBERS OF MISSILES, BOMBERS, WARHEADS AND LIGHTWEIGHT AS WELL AS

CURBS ON NEW TECHNOLOGY. HAK WILL ALSO SOUND BREZHNEV OUT ON THE ISSUE AND SEEK TO PERSUADE BREZHNEV NOT TO OBSTRUCT AMERICAN STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH TO PROBLEM. TALBOTT SHIRT-TAILED TO GWERTZMAN ARTICLE ON PAGE 5.

BOSTON GLOBE: DARIUS JHABVALA, PAGE 2, TWO-COLUMN LEAD, NO PIX. DARIUS LEADS HAK ARRIVING IN MOSCOW FOR THREE DAYS OF TALKS CENTERING ON STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATIONS. THE MAIN ISSUE IS THE URGENT NEED TO PLACE FURTHER LIMITS ON OFFENSIVE NUCLEAR WEAPONS, AN EFFORT WHICH FAILED AT THE JUNE SUMMIT. ACCORDING TO A SENIOR OFFICIAL ON PLANE, HAK IS BRINGING SOME "REASONABLY CONCRETE" IDEAS FOR THE FORM OF FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS. HAK'S TALKS WILL ALSO EXAMINE PROSPECTS FOR FORD/BREZHNEV MEETING FOR WHICH SOURCES CLAIM PROSPECTS LOOK GOOD BUT MUCH WILL DEPEND ON PROGRESS OF HAK'S TALKS. DARIUS STATES THAT FLIGHT FROM WASHINGTON WAS CLOUDED BY THE SOVIET DECISION TO DENY VISA TO TALBOTT. LAST SIX PARAGRAPHS DEVOTED TO THIS INCIDENT.

BALTIMORE SUN: DEAN MILLS PAGE 1 ABOVE FOLD, PIX OF HAK AND GROMYKO ON PAGE 2. DEAN LEADS THAT HAK IS SEEKING TO SALVAGE HOPES FOR A NEW AGREEMENT TO LIMIT STRATEGIC ARMS AND TO SHORE UP DETENTE. ACCORDING TO SENIOR OFFICIAL ON PLANE, HAK EXPECTS NO AGREEMENT TO COME OUT OF SESSION BUT, INSTEAD, GENERAL PATTERN WHICH COULD LEAD TO MORE SPECIFIC PRINCIPLES. SECOND LEAD FOCUSES ON TALBOTT INCIDENT, WHICH MILLS DESCRIBES AS "DISCORDANT NOTE" TO UNCLASSIFIED

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ARRIVAL. ON NUCLEAR ARMS TALKS, MILLS SAYS PATTERN WHICH HAK IS SEEKING WOULD INCLUDE AGREEMENT ON WAYS TO APPROACH LIMITING QUANTITY AND QUALITY OF STRATEGIC ARMS AND TO RESTRICT DEVELOPMENT OF MORE SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS SYSTEMS, LATTER BEING ESPECIALLY URGENT TO STAVE OFF ANOTHER ARMS RACE. ON THE TIMING OF A POSSIBLE SUMMIT MEETING, WHICH COMES SO QUICKLY AFTER HAK TRIP, MILLS STATES THIS IS LEADING TO SPECULATION THAT IF ANY PROGRESS IS MADE ON STRATEGIC ARMS ISSUE, IT MIGHT BE PUT INTO FINAL FORM AT VLADIVOSTOK SO THAT TWO LEADERS COULD DISPLAY THEIR CONTINUING INTEREST IN DETENTE. MILLS ALSO SAYS HAK IS UNDERSTOOD TO CONSIDER THIS VISIT AS A CRUCIAL TEST OF DETENTE. HE IS SAID TO FEAR THAT THE RUSSIANS -- SEEING FORD'S PROBLEMS AT HOME -- MAY DECIDE THE AMERICANS WILL CURB STRATEGIC ARMS DEVELOPMENT EVEN WITHOUT AN

AGREEMENT WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

NY DAILY NEWS: STAN CARTER, PAGE 14, PIX OF HAK AND GROMYKO AT AIRPORT. CARTER LEADS THAT BREZHNEV HAS GIVEN HIS PERSONAL ASSURANCES TO END HARASSMENT OF SOVIETS SEEKING EMIGRATION, ACCORDING TO A SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIAL, BUT NOTES BREZHNEV HAS GIVEN NO ASSURANCES ON NUMBER WHO MAY EMIGRATE. CARTER RELATES THAT THESE DETAILS WERE DIS-

CLOSED DURING HAK FLIGHT TO MOSCOW. ON VISIT, HAK WAS EXPECTED TO NAIL DOWN ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUMMIT MEETING NEXT MONTH. ALSO, HAK HAS BROUGHT A REVISED AMERICAN POSITION FOR LIMITING STRATEGIC ARMS WHICH ALTHOUGH NOT A SPECIFIC PROPOSAL WITH SPECIFIC NUMBERS COULD EASILY BE TURNED INTO ONE, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL ON PLANE. IF CONCEPT IS ACCEPTED, IT WOULD BE GIVEN FORMAL APPROVAL DURING FORD/BREZHNEV MEETING. CARTER CONCLUDES ARTICLE WITH TALBOTT INCIDENT WHICH HE DESCRIBES AS "A JARRING NOTE."

STAR-NEWS: JEREMIAH O'LEARY, PAGE 5, NO PIX. O'LEARY LEADS THAT HAK WILL MEET WITH BREZHNEV TO PRESENT WHAT A SENIOR US OFFICIAL SAID WERE REASONABLY CONCRETE IDEAS FOR A NEGOTIATING PATTERN ON NUCLEAR ARMS. HAK HAS SEVERAL OPTIONS IN THIS REGARD ON WHICH THERE IS NO DISAGREEMENT IN WASHINGTON. ACCORDING TO THIS OFFICIAL, HAK UNCLASSIFIED

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AND SCHLESINGER WERE NOT AS FAR APART AS IT WAS DOMESTICALLY CONVENIENT TO PORTRAY IN THE FINAL MONTHS OF THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION AND FORD HAS GIVEN HAK ENOUGH LEEWAY TO NEGOTIATE. NO AGREEMENT IS EXPECTED OUT OF VISIT BUT IT COULD PRODUCE GUIDELINES FOR A FORD/BREZHNEV MEETING NEXT MONTH. THE QUESTION IS HOW THE RUSSIANS ASSESS THE US DOMESTIC TURMOIL. HAK HAS COME WITH SOMETHING BETWEEN A CONCRETE PROPOSAL AND GUIDELINES BUT THE GUIDELINES COULD EASILY BE TURNED INTO A PROPOSAL. ON OTHER SUBJECTS THE OFFICIAL SAID IN REFERENCE TO THE LETTERS ON SOVIET EMIGRATION RELEASED LAST WEEK THAT THE RUSSIANS HAD SAID NOTHING NEW SINCE MARCH. THE OFFICIAL CONCEDED THAT THE PRESSURE EXERTED BY JACKSON AND JAVITS WAS HELPFUL BUT STATED THE BASIC AGREEMENT WAS REACHED A YEAR AGO. ON THE ADMINISTRATION STAND TOWARDS AID TO TURKEY, THE OFFICIAL DENIED THAT STAND HAD ANY RELATIONSHIP TO THE IMPORTANCE OF TURKEY OVER GREECE OR OTHERWISE. HE SAID THE KARAMANLIS GOVERNMENT IS TEETERING AND USES CYPRUS AS A MEANS OF RALLYING SUPPORT.

HEARST: JOHN WALLACH. NO ARTICLE, AT LEAST IN OCTOBER 24 ISSUE OF THE NEWS AMERICAN.

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